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Moktan-myon Tax-in-Kind Storage Point

- 1. As of 13 September 1953 the Moktan-myon tax-in-kind storage point was in Hwangsae-ul (sic) Uihyon-ni (N 38-03, E 126-02) (ET-4015), Yonbaek-kun, in Hwanghae Province. There were approximately 70 piles of grain stored here, each pile containing from 300 to 400 sacks. The piles of sacks were covered with straw, and were guarded by armed members of the local self-defense unit which was under the North Korean Ministry of Internal Affairs. The guard duty was rotated among 15 members of the unit.
- 2. The Moktan-myon tax-in-kind storage point had collected grain from part of Yonback-kun and adjoining Pyoksong-gun in Hwanghae Province during the 1952 fiscal year, and had transported much of the collection to the Sariwon (N 38-30, E 125-44) (YC-4064) area by the end of December 1952. As of 13 September 1953, the approximately 25,000 sacks was all that remained of the collection at the Moktan-myon storage point.

Tax-in-Kind Storage Area in Takpat-kol

- 3. On 22 September 1953 there was a tax-in-kind storage area in Takpat-kol (N 38-08, E 126-03) (BT-4124), P'yongsan-gun, in Hwanghae Province. Approximately 40 piles of grain, with 700 sacks of grain in each pile, were stored in an area about 500 meters square. The grain included: unhulled rice, 17,000 sacks; millet, 7,500 sacks; and others, about 3,500 sacks. The storage area was guarded alternately by 12 members of the local self-defense unit, which was under the North Korean Ministry of Internal Affairs, and seven to eight members of the local Democratic Youth Alliance.
- 4. The storage area in Takpat-kol had collected grain from part of P'yongsan-gun during the 1952 fiscal year. From October to December 1952 much of the grain collected had been transported to the Namch'on (N 38-20, E 126-24) (BT-7346) area. As of 22 September 1953 approximately 28,000 sacks was all that remained of the collection at the storage area in Takpat-kol.

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